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Sir:

The following remarks and election of claims is in
response to the Office Action mailed August 9, 1993.

Remarks

Claims 1 and 17 were divided by peptides into 42
groups, divided on the basis of the protein from which they were
derived: Ro/SSA, La/SSB, and Sm B/B'. Applicants provisionally
elect species 35, peptides 482 and 484, with the understanding
that the independent claims 1 and 17 are generic to all of the
peptides.

In response to the notice regarding the sequence
listing, the corrected Sequence Listing accompanies this response

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